



Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians
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Director
Office of Child Care
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Washington, DC 20201

Dear OCC Director:

This letter describes how the Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians plans to use the Child Care and Development Funds (CCDF) awarded under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSA).

We plan to use the CRRSA funds for activities in the following categories:

1. Direct Services/Subsidies.
Providing child care assistance to frontline/essential tribal families without regard to the income eligibility requirements. Provide relief from copayments for frontline/essential tribal families that ordinarily pay family copayments.
2. Implementation of Virus Mitigation Policies and Practices:
Provide/purchase cleaning and sanitizing supplies, personal protective equipment and hire additional staff that is responsible for cleaning and sanitizing daycare equipment.
3. Grants or Assistance (Other than Subsidies) to Stabilize Child Care Providers:
Recruit/Retention of Employees. Hiring additional staff for cleaning/sanitizing equipment will ease the burden of sanitizing from the teaching staff allowing them to focus on their job duties. Possibly implementing an incentive program for employees that have good work attendance, and a sign-on bonus.
4. Assistance to Providers Not Participating in the Subsidy System Prior to the Pandemic:
At this time there is only 1 (one) center operating in our service area and it has been participating in the subsidy system prior to the pandemic.
5. Other:

Purchase and replace older equipment with new equipment that is easier to clean and sanitize. Provide payment assistance for continuing education for staff. Provide updated technology in the center. Cultural and tribal language enrichment activities.

The Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians will amend our CCDF plan as a result of activities implemented under CRRSA funding not currently described in the plan, within 60 days of implementation.

Sincerely,

/s/

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